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For the Year Ending February 15th

1917

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OF THE  
Selectmen and Other Town Officers  
OF  
ACWORTH, N. H.  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15th  
1917  
AND THE VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE  
YEAR 1916

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# The Public Schools

## Cash Paid for Teachers

1916

May	6	Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 4 weeks	\$ 40.00
		Avis Todd, teaching Center school 4 weeks	40.00
		Harry Chadbourne, teaching North school 4 weeks	32.00
		Mrs. H. A. Gowen, teaching County school 4 weeks	26.00
		Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill school 4 weeks	26.00
		Adelae Leonard, teaching Grout Hill school 4 weeks	28.00
		Catherine Putnam, teaching Tracy school 4 weeks	32.00
		Madaline Reed, teaching East school 4 weeks	28.00
June	3	Avis M. Todd, teaching Center school 4 weeks	40.00
		Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 4 weeks	40.00
		Harry E. Chadbourne, teaching North school 4 weeks	32.00
		Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill school 4 weeks	26.00

June	3	Adelae Leanard, teaching Grout Hill school 4 weeks	\$ 28.00
		Catherine Putnam, teaching Tracy school 4 weeks	32.00
		Madaline Reed, teaching East school 4 weeks	28.00
		Mrs. H. A. Gowen, teaching County school 4 weeks	26.00
	24	Avis M. Todd, teaching Center school 4 weeks	40.00
		Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 4 weeks	40.00
		Harry E. Chadbourne, teaching North school 4 weeks	32.00
		Mrs. H. A. Gowen, teaching County school 4 weeks	26.00
		Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill school 4 weeks	26.00
		Catherine Putnam, teaching Tracy school 4 weeks	32.00
		Adelae Leanard, teaching Grout Hill school 4 weeks	28.00
		Madaline Reed, teaching East school 4 weeks	28.00
July	21	Adelae Leanard, teaching Grout Hill school 4 weeks	28.00
		Madaline Reed, teaching East school 2 weeks	14.00
		Catherine Putnam, teaching Tracy school 1 week	8.00
Oct.	2	Harry Chadbourne, teaching Center school 4 weeks	40.00
		Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 4 weeks	40.00



Oct.	2	Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill school 4 weeks	\$ 28 00
		Mrs. H. A. Gowen, teaching County school 4 weeks	28.00
		Lula J. Pitkin, teaching East school 4 weeks	28.00
		Grace S. Danforth, teaching Grout Hill 4 weeks	28.00
		Esther Lewis, teaching Tracy school 4 weeks	28.00
		Eunice Patten, teaching North school 4 weeks	28.00
	23	Harry Chadbourne, teaching Center school 4 weeks	40.00
		Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 4 weeks	40.00
		Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill school 4 weeks	28.00
		Mrs. H. A. Gowen, teaching County school 4 weeks	28.00
		Lula J. Pitkin, teaching East school 4 weeks	28.00
		Grace S. Danforth, teaching Grout Hill school 4 weeks	28.00
		Esther Lewis, teaching Tracy school 4 weeks	28.00
		Eunice Patten, teaching North school 4 weeks	28.00
Nov.	13	Harry Chadbourne, teaching Center school 4 weeks	40.00
		Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 4 weeks	40.00
		Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill school 4 weeks	28.00

Nov.	13	Mrs. H. A. Gowen, teaching County school	
		4 weeks	\$ 28.00
		Lula J. Pitkin, teaching East school 4	
		weeks	28.00
		Grace S. Danforth, teaching Grout Hill	
		school 4 weeks	28.00
Dec.	23	Esther Lewis, teaching Tracy school 4	
		weeks	28.00
		Eunice Patton, teaching North school 4	
		weeks	28.00
		Harry Chadbourne, teaching Center school	
		3 weeks	30.00
	18	Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 3	
		weeks	30.00
		Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill	
		school 3 weeks	21.00
1917	Jan. 12	Bessie Reed, teaching North school 3	
		weeks	21.00
		Esther Lewis, teaching Tracy school 2	
		weeks	14.00
		Grace S. Danforth, teaching Grout Hill	
		school 1 week	7.00
		Alice F. Lewis, teaching South school 3	
		weeks	30.00
		Harry Chadbourne, teaching Center school	
		3 weeks	30.00
		Bessie Reed, teaching North school 3	
		weeks	21.00
		Maude H. Moody, teaching Derry Hill	
		school 3 weeks	21.00
		Mrs. Abbie Gowen, teaching County school	
		5 weeks	35.00
		Lula J. Pitkin, teaching East school 4	
		weeks	28.00

Jan.	27	Grace S. Danforth, teaching Grout Hill school 4 weeks	\$ 28.00
		Lula J. Pitkin, teaching East school 2 weeks	14.00
Feb	5	Grace S. Danforth, teaching Grout Hill school 2 weeks	14.00
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			\$1,894.00

### Repairing School Houses

1916			
April	8	A. M. Bragg, door and catch, Grout Hill school	\$ 2.00
	8	C. S. Crandall, freight and hanging door, Grout Hill school	1.00
May	6	Wm. S. Faught, 10 M shingles, East Acworth school house	27.50
	17	Harry D. Kemp, shingling East school house	12.50
June	24	G. A. Evans, shingle nails, East and South school houses	6.17
July	3	Harry D. Kemp, shingling east side South Acworth school house	14 87
	21	H. C. Metcalf, galv. iron gutters for South Acworth schoolhouse	2.35
Aug.	27	Wm. S. Faught, 9½ M shingles, 42 feet lumber, South Acworth school house	23.00
Sept.	7	Guy S. Neal, 10 M cedar shingles for Derry Hill school	35 00
Oct.	18	C. B. Spaulding, two days work on Tracy and Center school houses	5.00
	31	C. L. Gould, labor and material, Derry Hill school	6.25
Nov.	8	Rollo B. Potter, shingling and repairs at Derry Hill	19.10



Nov.	16	M. W. Gassett. work and repairs at Grout Hill school house	\$ 2.50
Dec.	15	Geo. A. Gordon. lumber for South Acworth school house	2.04
1917			
Feb.	12	S. A. Nye, work on foundation at Grout Hill school house	16.70
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			\$ 175.98

### Transportation of Scholars

1916			
March	20	Horace Mitchell, transportation of Lillian LaValley, fall term 1915-16	\$ 10.00
June	24	Madaline Reed, transportation of Hunt children, spring term 1916, (East Acworth school)	10.00
	24	Horace Mitchell, transportation of Lillian LaValley, spring term, 1916	10.00
Dec.	27	Roy H. Buss, transportation of Hunt children	10.50
1917			
Feb.	5	Roy H. Buss, transportation of Hunt children	4.50
	13	Horace Mitchell, transportation of Lillian LaValley	10.00
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			\$ 55.00

### Cash Paid for Fuel

1916			
June	3	John Newill, 3¾ cords wood, South school	\$ 16.88
	3	John Newill, 2 cord wood, Grout Hill school	9.00

Oct.	2	Roy H. Buss, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood, East school	\$ 2 50
Dec.	6	S. D. Moody, 1 cord wood, Derry Hill school	5.00
	21	John Newill, wood, Grout Hill school	1.00
	27	Roy H. Buss, 2 cords wood for East school	10.00
1917			
Jan.	12	Miller Bros, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood for County school	2.25
	12	Wm. McIntosh, 1 cord wood for Tracy school	6.00
Feb.	5	Roy H. Buss, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood for East school	2.50
	13	J. H. Goewey, 4 cords wood for North school	20.00
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			\$ 75.13

### School Supplies

1916			
June	3	J. L. Hammett Co., school supplies	\$ 48.40
		J. L. Hammett Co., school supplies	12.15
Dec.	21	American Book Co., school supplies	9.12
1917			
Jan.	12	Benjamin H. Sanborn, school supplies	2.50
	27	J. F. White, school supplies	3.59
	27	G. A. Evans, school supplies	6.59
Feb.	5	J. L. Hammett Co., school supplies	44.41
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			\$ 126.76

### Janitor Service

1916			
Mar.	20	Mrs. Abbie H. Gowen, janitor 7 weeks, County school	\$ 1.05

June	24	Alice F. Lewis, janitor 12 weeks, South school	\$2.40
		Harry E. Chadbourne, janitor 12 weeks, North school	1.80
		Mrs. A. H. Gowen, janitor 12 weeks, County school	1.80
		Maude H. Moody, janitor 12 weeks, Derry Hill school	1.80
		Adelae Leonard, janitor 14 weeks, Grout Hill school	2.10
		Catherine Putnam, janitor 13 weeks, Tracy school	1.95
		Madaline Reed, janitor 14 weeks, East school	2.10
Dec.	11	Eunice Patten, janitor 12 weeks, North school	1.80
	18	Esther Lewis, janitor 14 weeks, Tracy school	2.10
		Roy H. Buss, janitor 12 weeks, East school	1.80
1917			
Jan.	12	Alice F. Lewis, janitor 18 weeks, South school	3.60
		Harry Chadbourne, janitor 18 weeks, Center school	3.60
		Bessie Reed, janitor 6 weeks, North school	.90
		Maude H. Moody, janitor 18 weeks, Derry Hill school	2.70
		Mrs. Abbie Gowen, janitor 17 weeks, County school	2.55
Feb.	5	Roy H. Buss, janitor 6 weeks, East school	.90
		Grace S. Danforth, janitor 18 weeks, Grout Hill school	2.70
		Chester A. Newill, janitor 12 weeks, Center school	2.40
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			\$ 40.05



## High School Tuition

1916

May	6	Kimball Union Academy, tuition Clifford Blake, Spring term, 1916	\$ 12.00
		Colby Academy, tuition Lula Pitkin and Clyde Young, Spring term, 1916	24.00
Nov.	11	Colby Academy, tuition Dorothy Pitkin and Clyde Young, Fall term	30.00

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Jan.	12	Colby Academy, tuition Dorothy Pitkin and Clyde Young, Winter term	26.00
			\$ 92.00

## Miscellaneous Orders

1916

Mar.	20	E. M. Smith, insurance on school buildings	\$ 84.00
May	6	Mrs. Watkins, cleaning Grout Hill school house	1.50
		Mrs. Watkins, cleaning Derry Hill school-house	1.50
June	3	John Newill, cleaning out house, South Acworth	1.00
		John Newill, $\frac{1}{2}$ days work, Grout Hill	.75
		George Webster, freight and glass	1.99
Sept.	7	Mrs. Watkins, cleaning South Acworth school house	2.00
Oct.	2	Roy H. Buss, cleaning vault, East school	1.00
		Roy H. Buss, rope, staple and pulley for flag pole	.65
	18	C. B. Spaulding, lime, cement, lumber, rope and glass	3.65
	23	H. A. Fowle, stove pipe and damper for Center school	5.48

Oct.	23	M. Williams, cleaning stove pipe at Grout Hill school	\$ .50
	23	Esther Lewis, cleaning Tracy schoolhouse	1.50
	31	E. R. Chatterton, cards and enumeration scholars	3.80
Dec.	11	John Campbell, cleaning and work at County school	5.04
	29	Arthur Burnham, services as truant officer	2.25
1917			
Jan.	2	George Webster, freight and express on school supplies	1.86
	12	H. C. Metcalf, stove pipe for Grout Hill school	1.00
	27	G. A. Evans, stove for Center school	3.00
Feb.	5	Esther R. Chatterton, services on school board 1916 and 1917	20.00
		J. F. Eaton, services on school board 1916 and 1917	20.00
		C. S. Crandall, services on school board 1916 and 1917	20.00
	9	G. A. Evans, services as school treasurer	5.00
		G. A. Evans, stamps and telephoning	2.95
		John Dodge, putting up flag pole at North school	2.00
	12	A. J. Davis, moving stove	.75
	13	J. H. Gowey, cleaning stove pipe North school	.25
		Guy S. Neal, services as school clerk	3.00
		Guy S. Neal, services as school auditor	2.00
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			\$ 198.42

# Auditor's Statement

OF AFFAIRS AT ACWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING FEB. 15, 1917

1916

April	1	By cash in treasury as per auditor's report	\$ 158.03
	22	By cash, balance dog tax 1916	97.93
	29	By cash, received of Town of Lempster, tuition of children to Tracy school	6.60
		By cash from town treasurer	300.00
June	5	By cash from town treasurer	300.00
	30	By cash from town treasurer	300.00
Sept.	2	By cash from town treasurer	100.00
Oct.	4	By cash from town treasurer	300.00
	30	By cash from town treasurer	300.00
Dec.	4	By cash from town treasurer	300.00

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Jan.	8	By cash from town treasurer	200.00
		By cash from town treasurer, literary fund	96.60
		By cash from town treasurer, proportion of school fund	225.00
		By cash from town treasurer, High school tuition rebate	28.66
Feb.	3	By cash from town treasurer, balance of school money	53.50

\$2,766.32



Paid Teachers' wages	\$1,894.00
Repairing school houses	175.98
Transportation of scholars	55.00
Fuel	75.13
School supplies	126.76
Janitor service	40.05
High school tuition	92.00
Miscellaneous orders	198.42
Cash in treasury to balance account	108.98
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	\$2,766.32

### Auditor's Certificate

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the School Board and School Treasurer of Acworth School District and find the same correct.

GUY S. NEAL, Auditor.

# Acworth School Board

## Estimates for the Coming Year

Money required by law	\$ 525.00
Money required for books and supplies	100.00
Money required for High school tuition	160.00
Money required for flags	6.00
Money required for officers	85.00
Money required additional	1,200.00
Money required for repairs	150.00
Estimated State aid for average attendance	200.00
Estimated rebate for High school tuition	24.00
Money required for new out houses	100.00

## Report of School Board

The School Board presents its annual report in full confidence that the conduct of school affairs during the past year will meet the approval of all intelligent citizens of Acworth. In general the teachers have been faithful and efficient. In one or two instances, where the work has been unsatisfactory, we have deemed it wise to endure the ills we had, rather than fly too suddenly to others we knew not of. But all such cases were remedied as speedily as good judgment permitted. Your School Board never loses sight of the fact that the character and culture of the teacher takes precedence over all other matters in the life of a school. Second to that, but by a long interval, comes care of schoolhouses, equipment, conveniences, etc. In these matters the School Board expends the money intrusted to it for this purpose with all possible care and economy. The most neces-

sary and essential things are attended to first; the less essential as rapidly and fully as means permit. Much more money could be spent on the school buildings and accessories, if we had it, much to their improvement. Pressure from various quarters has come upon the School Board to induce or compel it to make improvements and provide equipment costing in excess of the appropriations made by the district for such purposes, and the law of the state cited to show that the district would be obliged to pay these additional bills. The School Board has resisted such pressure, and kept within appropriations. When it is considered that taxable property is voted at its full value, possibly in many cases beyond what it would bring in the market, and the rate of taxation more than 20% higher than in the city of Boston, the reasonableness of this course would seem to be plain to anyone. Moreover, the school houses of Acworth have never been more comfortable or sanitary, nor surroundings more conducive to morality, than at the present time. This is not to say that we would not gladly equip our schools in every particular up to the standards of wealthy and populous districts, for we would, but it is saying that we are making conditions as favorable and healthful and wholesome as limited means permit. We affirm, also, that in years gone by these schools of Acworth, with far inferior equipment to that of the present day, have educated and sent out to the world as high-minded, finely-cultivated men and women as are to be found anywhere. They are teachers in the best schools of great cities, professional men and women, business men, the very flower of American citizenship. And we affirm, also, that so far as material conditions are concerned, these schools are in better condition today than ever in the past.

Nor is the School Board greatly moved by the tremendous pressure for state-wide supervision. Sometimes a Superintendent is a help in country schools and sometimes not. It is no uncommon thing for incompetent and immoral politicians, wholly unfit for teachers, to be set over competent teachers, with



unfortunate consequences. If such persons should be appointed by state officials, and towns be unable to dismiss them, or to do it with difficulty, it would inevitably create a condition of things quite distressing. Moreover, the added expense would be a serious item. No one need be deceived by the statement that the State would largely pay the bill. We are the State, and we pay the State bills,—we citizens of Acworth and other towns. It is the aim of your School Board to employ teachers capable of conducting district schools. When we find we have one not competent, he or she is dropped at the earliest possible moment. Let us never forget that *the teacher is the school*. All other matters pertaining to school life are secondary.

The money appropriated for repairs has been mainly expended in shingling and out houses. During the past five years all school houses in use have been shingled except that of Grout Hill and one side of South Acworth school. The School Board shingled this past year the houses at East Acworth, Derry Hill, and one side of that at South Acworth. The good people in the County school district united and purchased shingles and put them on, all at their own expense. This act was exceedingly gratifying to the School Board, and deserves the appreciative thanks of the entire township. It is a little revival of the old spirit out of which grew the fine culture and citizenship mentioned above. The more the affairs of our schools are removed from the immediate inhabitants, and lodged in high paid officials at a distance, the less interest the people have in them, and the less satisfactory the results. It is still true that the "cure for the ills of democracy is more democracy," but not monarchy.

For the coming year we have three out houses to put in order, that we may meet the demands of State officials, that at Grout Hill, that at the County school and that at Derry Hill. For this we need not less than \$100.00. Minor repairs are needed in all the houses, and we wish to begin painting the schools and out houses. All need paint. We will do as much of this the coming year as your appropriation will permit.

The Center School has been taught by Harry Chadbourne since the beginning of the fall term, Miss Todd, who taught with so much satisfaction the preceding year, not wishing to return. It is the wish of the School Board to employ home talent so far as it is able to find competent teachers. Mr. Chadbourne has given good satisfaction, and the Board is glad to have him continue the spring term.

Miss Alice Lewis came back to South Acworth in September, much to the satisfaction of the patrons of that school. Miss Lewis is one of the best teachers we have had in recent years. She now leaves us for a more lucrative position. We greatly regret her departure. Another teacher will be found for the spring term. The attendance towards the close of the term diminished greatly because of sickness.

The Derry Hill school has been taught the entire year by Miss Maude Moody, with the same efficiency as during the preceding three years.

The County school has been under the care of Mrs. Abbie H. Gowen, as for several years past. She now retires from teaching. She has done excellent service in that district, and her withdrawal is much regretted.

The North school was given to Miss Patten for the fall term. After Thanksgiving Miss Bessie Reed took the school, and has given excellent satisfaction. She is expected to continue on in the spring term.

The East Acworth school since the beginning of the fall term has been in care of Miss Lula Pitkin, who graduated last spring from Colby Academy. She has proved an excellent teacher, and given that neighborhood excellent satisfaction. She will finish the year in the spring term. Her purpose is to enter college in the fall. Miss Pitkin is a fine product of our Acworth schools, and we expect good things of her in years to come.

The Tracy school suffered greatly from the loss of Mrs. Putnam. We secured Miss Esther Lewis, a young lady of fine character and ability, to take up that work. The number of

pupils dropped down to four or five, and proved somewhat discouraging. We are hoping that district will revive again, to some extent at least, the coming year.

At Grout Hill Miss Grace Bamford has been doing excellent work. The school was interrupted for a while by an epidemic of measles, as was also the case at East Acworth. We are glad to report the improvement in that district, and the general satisfaction of the patrons of the school, as conducted by Miss Bamford.

The School Board earnestly invites the co-operation of all good citizens of Acworth in the maintenance and improvement of our school life. There is much reason for satisfaction in its present condition, but we aim for continuous advancement: schools as perfect as the best teachers and most sanitary environment attainable will enable us to secure. Our aim is always the training of our children into intelligent, patriotic, good citizenship.

C. S. CRANDALL,  
ESTHER R. CHATTERTON,  
JAMES FRANCIS EATON,

School Board.

Teachers	Term	Weeks	Scholars	Av Attendance	Av. Membership	Per C. Attendance	Tardiness	Visits	Wages
CENTER									
Avis Todd	1	12	20	18	19.2	.91	25	18	\$40.00
Harry Chadbourne	2	18	23	17.2	19	.96	4	29	40.00
NORTH									
Harry Chadbourne	1	12	5	4.06	4.39	.92		8	32.00
Eunice Patten	2	18	9					10	28.00
Bessie Reed			4	3 82	3.83	.99	5	6	28.00
COUNTY									
Mrs. Abbie Gowen	1	12	10	10.17	11.11	.91	33	14	26.00
Mrs. Abbie Gowen	2	17	11	9	10.07	.89	42	21	28.00
EAST									
Madaline Reed	1	14	8	6.73	7.98	.84	2	26	28.00
Lula Pitkin	2	18	9	5.2	5.74	.90		17	28.00
GROUT HILL									
Adelae Leanard	1	16	11	9.2	10.26	.84	15	58	28.00
Grace Bamforth	2	18	16			.85	70	38	28.00
SOUTH									
Alice Lewis	1	12	27	21.5	23.3	.92	13	27	40.00
Alice Lewis	2	18	32	18.5	20.3	.90	37	11	40.00
DERRY HILL									
Maude Moody	1	12	13	9	9.27	.92	20	26	26.00
Maude Moody	2	18	2	11	13	.87	68	27	28.00
TRACY									
Catherine Putnam	1	13	16	12.32	14 3	.86	4	20	32.00
Esther Lewis	2	15	7	3.04	4.01	.75	5	9	28.00



### Perfect Attendance

1ST TERM—Ione Spaulding, Edna Walker, Raymond Davis, Josephine Goewey, Lelia Goewey, Helen Johnson, Fay Evans, Algene Fisk, Theodore Nichols, Warren White, Helen Crossett, Edna Booth, Helen Nichols, Ruth White.

2ND TERM—Lucy Fisk, Helen Johnson, Margaret Johnson, Mabel Kemp, Mabel Pitkin, Lillian LaValley, Ruth Spaulding.

### Items from Annual Report of July, 1916

Number of schools, 8; pupils, 136; average attendance, 110; per cent. of attendance, .90; cases of tardiness, 293; visitors, 385.

# Warrant

## The State of New Hampshire

[L. S.] *To the inhabitants of the Town of Acworth, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Town on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the Silsby Free Library for the year ensuing.
4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the poor for the year ensuing.
5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay debt and interest for the year ensuing.
6. To see if the town will vote to apply for State aid for the permanent improvement of highways and raise money for that purpose.
7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the maintenance of State highways for the year ensuing.
8. To see if the town will vote to patrol the State road

from South Acworth to Charlestown line and raise money for that purpose.

9. To see if the town will vote to patrol the river road from Honey Brook corner the same as last year and raise money for that purpose.

10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

11. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord 1917.

HENRY A. CLARK,  
SAMUEL A. NYE,  
MARCH CLARK,

Selectmen of Acworth.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest :

HENRY A. CLARK,  
SAMUEL A. NYE,  
MARCH CLARK,

Selectmen of Acworth.

## Report of Selectmen

Taxes required to be assessed in town April 1st, 1916 .

State tax	\$ 562.50
County tax	787.45
Town charges	1,800.00
Shingling town house	85.00
Support of Silsby Free Library	100.00
Permanent improvement of highways	528.00
Maintenance of State roads	335.00
Highways and bridges	1,200.00
Memorial day	50.00
Guard rails	450.00
Town highway patrol	675.00
Schools	2,153.50
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Total	\$8,726.45
Added tax	19.55
Overlay	2.66

Rate of taxation, \$2.60 on each \$100.00

### Invoice April 1st, 1916

	No.	VALUATION
Real estate		\$278,010.00
Horses	208	19,860.00
Oxen	16	1,383.00
Cows	333	13,416.00
Other neat stock	137	4,946.00



Sheep	241	\$ 1,050.00
Hogs	7	85.00
Fowls	110	55.00
Automobiles	10	4,500.00
Portable mills	10	800.00
Boats and launches	1	200.00
Wood and lumber		5,170.00
Stock in banks		1,900.00
Money on hand or at interest		1,025.00
Stock in trade		4,500.00
Mills		3,900.00
Total		<hr/> \$335,735.00
Soldiers' exemption tax		5,065.00
Polls	134	268.00

HENRY A. CLARK,  
SAMUEL A. NYE,  
MARCH CLARK,

Selectmen of Acworth.

### Orders Drawn for Support of Silsby Free Public Library

1916

Oct. 7 J. F. Eaton, trustee \$100.00

### Orders Drawn for Special Purposes

1916

Nov. 4 Guy S. Neal, county treasurer, county  
tax in part \$ 500.00

Dec. 2 Guy S. Neal, county treasurer, balance  
of county tax 287.45

1917

Jan. 6 Guy S. Neal, state tax 562.50

1916			
Nov.	4	W. A. Pitkin, guard rails	\$ 100.00
Dec.	2	W. A. Pitkin, guard rails	180.00
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			\$1,629.95

### Orders Drawn for School Purposes

1916			
Apr.	22	G. A. Evans, treasurer, balance of dog fund for 1915	\$ 97.93
Apr.	29	G. A. Evans, treasurer, school money	300.00
June	3	G. A. Evans, treasurer, school money	300.00
	27	G. A. Evans, treasurer, school money	300.00
Sept.	2	G. A. Evans, treasurer, school money	100.00
Oct.	2	G. A. Evans, treasurer, school money	300.00
Nov.	4	G. A. Evans, treasurer, school money	300.00
Dec.	2	G. A. Evans, treasurer, school money	300.00
1917			
Jan.	6	G. A. Evans, proportion of school fund	253.66
		G. A. Evans, literary fund	96.60
		G. A. Evans, school money	200.00
Feb.	3	G. A. Evans, balance of school money	53.50
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			\$2,601.69

### Orders Drawn for Repair of Highways and Bridges

1916			
May	6	Arthur Burnham, work on highway	\$ 140.90
	20	Arthur Burnham, work on highway	115.38
	25	George Millay, work on highway	14.80
June	3	Arthur Burnham, work on highway	50.75
		A. E. Meader, work on highway	3.15
	12	Fred G. Huntley, work on highway	3.40
	17	A. E. Burnham, work on highway	71.36
		C. H. Neal, work on highway	75.00

July	1	E. E. Reed, work on highway	\$ 210.00
		Arthur Burnham, work on highway	49.75
		C. H. Neal, work on highway	180.25
Sept.	2	Arthur Burnham, work on highway	67.97
		A. L. Perham, work on highway	6.00
		C. H. Neal, work on highway	18.50
	23	C. H. Neal, work on highway	119.25
	30	Arthur Burnham, work on highway	124.00
Oct.	7	C. H. Neal, work on highway and bridges	21.10
Nov.	4	Arthur Burnham, work on highway and bridge timber	33 80
		E. E. Reed, work on highway	100.00
		C. H. Neal, work on highway	13.00
		E. E. Davis, work on highway	33.00
		A. W. Potter, work on highway	31.00
		S. A. Nye, work on highway	35.50
		A. B. Chatterton, work on highway	5.00
		George Newell, work on highway	6.75
		H. L. Piper, bridge plank	20.52
Dec.	2	A. J. Lamb, work on highway	38.50
		A. E. Meader, work on highway	2.90
		Estate of C. M. Johnson, work on high- way in 1915	8.00
		C. H. Dodge, work on bridge	4.50
	14	A. E. Burnham, work on Hatch bridge, and lumber	38.80
	16	F. W. Hyde, building bridge, and lum- ber	21.13
1917			
Jan.	6	C. H. Neal, work on highway	2.00
		W. F. Blay, work on highway	3.50
		Carl Kemp, work on highway	14.00
		N. E. Pitkin, work on highway	1.00
		E. H. Rugg, work on highway	25.75

Feb.	16	E. H. Clark, work on highway	\$ 8.20
	17	W. S. Faught, bridge plank	21.62
		Lewis & Gordon, timber for Hardy bridge	155.52
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			\$1,895.55

### Orders Drawn for Breaking Roads

1916			
March	25	G. S. Neal, breaking roads	44.70
		Victor Serenius, breaking roads	7.20
		W. F. Blay, breaking roads	3.70
		Charles Westney, breaking roads	1.60
April	3	C. H. Neal, breaking roads	15.50
		B. P. Chapman, breaking roads	7.00
	5	E. D. Fikes, breaking roads	3.10
	15	H. L. Piper, cash paid Allie McBean for breaking roads	3.00
		James Jeffrey, breaking roads	4.00
		A. W. Potter, breaking roads	5.75
	17	March Clark, cash paid W. A. Putnam for breaking roads	17.80
	22	G. S. Neal, breaking roads	7.00
		E. A. George, breaking roads	6.35
		W. B. Lund, breaking roads	7.50
		Ray Heselton, breaking roads	5.50
		Fred Heselton, breaking roads	13.80
		George Burnham,	3.70
		Charles Mulligan, breaking roads	7.20
	29	A. B. Chatterton, breaking roads	18.60
		Fred Heselton, breaking roads	3.00
May	6	Arthur Burnham, breaking roads	1.75
		John Dodge, breaking roads	15.50
		E. H. Rugg, breaking roads	13.40
		James Jeffery, breaking roads	24.80



May	16	Victor Serenius, breaking roads	\$ 14.40
June	3	Sam Wilder, breaking roads	8.95
		C. C. Elliott, breaking roads	2.20
Aug.	5	Charles Westney, breaking roads	5.00
		S. D. Moody, breaking roads	9.30
Sept.	2	A. L. Perham, breaking roads	8.00
Dec.	2	E. E. Reed, breaking roads	43.65
1917			
Feb.	16	W. A. McIntosh, breaking roads	3.50
		A. S. Hayes, breaking roads	6.10
		M. L. Mitchell, breaking roads	25.60
		Carl Kemp, breaking roads	10.50
		O. D. Kemp, breaking roads	12.80
	17	Guy S. Neal, breaking roads	9.85
		C. H. Neal, breaking roads	6.50
		S. L. Neal, breaking roads	1.65
		A. J. Davis, breaking roads	2.75
		Luther Clough, breaking roads	5.00
		A. B. Chatterton, breaking roads	4.50
		S. D. Moody, breaking roads	2.40
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			\$ 424.10

### Orders Drawn for Support of Paupers

1916

May	3	W. E. Clark, M. D., care of Eugene Filault	\$ 36.75
		L. M. Clark, care of Eugene Filault	59.00
		L. M. Clark, care of Mrs. Joseph Filault	5.00
		Mrs. E. L. Sarsons, eggs furnished Eugene Filault	1.88
		Hiram Parker & Son, goods for Joseph Filault	31.00
		W. E. Clark, M. D., care of Mrs. Joseph Filault	14.25

May	3	G. A. Evans, goods for Stella Lakin	\$ 14.72
	6	F. P. Claggett, care of James Filault and Mrs. Joseph Filault	70.00
		M. J. Hourihan, clothes for Russell boy	5.00
		F. I. Chandler, clothes for Russell girl	3.50
		Frederick Gamash, shoes for Russell children	4.10
		Arthur Burnham, keeping tramp	1.00
		H. A. Clark, cash paid for keeping tramps	3.00
	18	F. A. Comtoir, care Ursula Abbott	66.00
		P. B. Stevens, M. D., care Ursula Abbott	41.50
		Mrs. W. H. Booth, care and board of Ursula Abbott	42.76
		I. J. Elliott, goods furnished Joseph Filault	3.00
June	3	N. E. Constantine, board of Geo. Constantine to June 3rd	25 50
July	1	N. E. Constantine, board of Geo. Constantine	6.00
		George Webster, expense of Mrs. Campbell to Glencliff	9.17
		L. J. Paige, clothes for Geo. Constantine	6.55
Aug.	5	Carrie F. Wright hospital, care of James Mulligan	33.75
		J. F. White, trips to Newport for James Mulligan	10.00
		N. E. Constantine, board of Geo. Constantine from July 1 to Aug. 5	7.50
Sept.	2	E. N. Crossett, burning of bed and bedding used by James Mulligan	11.75
		E. N. Crossett, board and care of James Mulligan	40.00
Oct.	7	B. T. Mousley, M. D., services for James Mulligan	3.00

Oct.	7	M. J. Hourihan, clothes for Russell boy	\$ 5.00
		F. I. Chandler, clothes for Russell girl	3.99
		W. E. Davis, shoes for Russell children	3.50
		G. A. Evans, goods furnished Stella Lakin	4.87
		N. E. Constantine, board of G. D. Constantine from Aug. 5 to Oct. 7	13.50
	14	F. Wood & Co., shoes for Geo. Constantine	3.60
	14	F. W. Hamlin, clothes for Geo. Constantine	7.25
Nov.	4	F. P. Claggett M. D., professional services George Constantine	38.50
	16	Edes & Co., goods for Grace Campbell	14.27
		W. E. Davis, shoes for Grace Campbell	1.60
		Equitable Life Insurance Society, premium on Arthur Campbell's life insurance	5.44
Dec.	2	W. E. Clark M. D., care of James Mulligan	58.75
		N. E. Constantine, board of Geo. Constantine from Oct. 7 to Dec. 2	12.00
		G. H. Stoughton, undertaker services for James Mulligan	66.25
1917			
Jan.	6	C. H. Neal, wood for Russell family	4.00
		H. A. Clark, paid for coat for Geo. Constantine	4.95
		N. E. Constantine, board of Geo. Constantine from Dec. 2 to Jan. 6, 1917	7.50
1917			
Feb.	3	Mary Hitchcock Hospital, care of James Mulligan	10.00
		W. E. Clark M. D., care of Russell family	7.50

Feb.	3	E. N. Crossett, keeping tramp	\$ 1.00
		N. E. Constantine, board of Geo. Constantine from Jan. 6 to Feb. 3	6.00
	16	Arthur Burnham, expense of taking Eugene Mulligan to State Hospital	11.75
		A. K. Day, examination of Eugene Mulligan	3.00
		G. H. Clark, examination of Eugene Mulligan	3.00
	17	E.N. Crossett, keeping Eugene Mulligan	1.00
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			\$ 853.90

### Orders Drawn to Pay Bounty on Hedgehogs and Wildcats

1917			
Feb.	3	H.A. Clark, paid on hedgehogs and wildcat	\$ 3.00
		S. A. Nye, paid on hedgehogs and wildcat	11.00
	16	March Clark, paid on hedgehogs and wildcat	2.80
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			\$ 16 80

### Orders Drawn for Miscellaneous Purposes

1916			
March	25	G. S. Neal, wood for town house and express on town reports	3.25
		E. M. Smith, insuring town house	7.50
April	22	E. C. Eastman, tax book and blanks	7.20
		Trustees of trust fund for money received from Rebecca Madison	150.00
		C. W. Rounsevel, copy of transfers	3.54



April	29	Town Trustees, Mary L. Bowers cemetery trust fund	\$ 300.00
May	6	C. B. Spaulding, shingling town house	22.06
		H. A. Clark, postage, stationery and telephoning	2.45
		G. S. Neal, shingles for town house	64.69
June	3	New England Road Machine Co., repairs on scraper	8.70
		M. W. Gassett, for Memorial Day	35.00
		Guy S. Neal, for saddleboards and nails for town house	3.54
		G. W. Buss, disinfecting Booth and Santti houses	18.00
		W. & L. E. Gurley, dies for sealer of weights and measures	1.10
		Claremont Advocate, for printing town reports	45.40
Aug.	5	W. S. Faught, parts of town line signs	2.25
		Good Roads Machine Co., repairs upon road machine	8.25
Sept.	2	W. O. Kemp, for posting fire warden notices	2.00
		G. W. Buss, for disinfecting and quarantine work	9.32
		G. S. Neal, collecting dog tax	5.80
Nov.	2	G. W. Buss, for attending County Health Board meeting	3.00
Dec.	2	A. A. Fisk, work on road scraper	6.92
		A. A. Fisk, use of water tub	3.00
		S. L. Neal, mowing cemeteries	14.00
1917			
Jan.	6	E. K. Morrison, use of water tub for 1915 and 1916	6.00
		C. O. Barney & Son, order book	2.00
Jan.	6	L. J. Paige, use of water tub	3.00

Feb.	3	O. D. Kemp, use of water tub	\$ 3.00
		G. R. Cummings, use of mill for storage	23.50
16		J. M. Barton, counsel in Demuse case	18.00
		W. L. Gowen, use of water tub for 1915 and 1916	6 00
		Town of Walpole, repair of Tucker bridge	3.42
		G. W. Buss, use of water tub to date	1.50
		M. L. Mitchell, use of water tub for 1916	3.00
		G. S. Neal, recording births, marriages and deaths	4.35
17		G. A. Nye, work on town house	1.61
		H. A. Clark, postage, telephone and stationery	3.75
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			\$ 806.10

### Orders Drawn to Pay Town Officers

1916			
March	25	H. R. Neal, for services as supervisor	6.00
May	6	H. A. Clark, for services as selectman to date	32.00
		S. A. Nye, for services as selectman to date	35.00
		March Clark, for services as selectman to date	34.00
June	3	A. E. Hemphill, for services as supervi- sor to date and Roy H. Buss to date	12.00
Sept.	12	A. E. Hemphill, for services as supervi- sor to Sept 6	8.00
Nov.	4	Roy H. Buss, for services as supervisor to date	9.00
		H. R. Neal, for services as supervisor to date	9.00

Dec.	2	A. E. Hemphill, for services as supervisor to date	\$ 5.00
1917			
Jan.	6	H. R. Neal, for services as supervisor to date	5.00
		Arthur Burnham, for services as police	1.60
		Roy H. Buss, for services as supervisor	6.00
Feb.	16	G. W. Buss, for services as health officer	2.15
	17	H. A. Clark, for services as selectman to date	25.00
		S. A. Nye, for services as selectman to date	20.00
		March Clark, for services as selectman to date	13.00
		H. A. Clark, for services as overseer of the poor	17.00
		G. S. Neal, for services as town clerk	25.00
		G. S. Neal, for services as town treasurer	50.00
		S. L. Neal, for services as sexton	35.00
		H. L. Piper, services as tax collector	75.00
		A. E. Clark, for services as auditor Feb. 15, 1916	5.00
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			\$ 429.15

### Orders Drawn for Abatement of Taxes

1917			
Feb.	16	H. L. Piper, abatement of Geo. Malay poll tax	\$ 2.00
		H. L. Piper, abatement of A. J. Kennerston tax in part	5.20
		H. L. Piper, abatement of L. Currier's tax	3.01
		H. L. Piper, abatement of Everett Joslin's poll tax	2.00

Feb.	16	H. L. Piper, abatement of Frank Morse's poll tax	\$ 2.00
		H. L. Piper, abatement of Forest Watkins' tax in part	3.01
		H. L. Piper, abatement of C. C. Plimpton's poll tax	2.00
		H. L. Piper, abatement of Arvilla Plimpton's tax	7.07
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			\$ 26.29

### Orders Drawn to Pay Notes, Bonds and Interest

1916			
Mar.	25	Conn. River National bank note	\$ 400.00
Apr.	29	Conn. River National bank note, interest on notes No. 28 and 29	37.58
May	6	Conn. River National bank note No. 30 and interest	1,020.00
July	1	G. W. Buss, interest for six months on bonds No. 4, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28, 33, 34	40.00
		R. H. Buss, interest on bonds No. 2, 9, 14, 25, 30	10.00
		Jessie Buss, interest on note No. 5	10.00
		Flora Buss, interest on bonds No. 3, 12, 17, 22, 7, 27	20.00
		S. A. Nye, interest on bonds No. 19, 24, and 29	6.00
Sept.	2	G. S. Neal, six months interest on bonds	18.00
		G. R. Cummings, six months interest on bonds	20.00
		Susie F. Chamberlain, six months interest on bonds	16.00
Oct.	7	Conn. River National bank, payment of note No. 37 and interest	504.00
Nov.	4	Conn. River National bank, note No. 34 and interest	2,035.11

Nov.	4	Conn. River National bank, interest on note No. 33	\$ 6.00
		Conn. River National bank, interest on note No. 28	4.00
		Conn. River National bank, interest on note No. 39	20.00
Dec.	2	Conn. River National bank, balance of note No. 28	200.00
		Conn. River National bank, note No. 39 and interest	502.00
		Conn. River National bank, note No. 40 and interest	500.50
		Conn. River National bank, note No. 35 and interest	510.00
		Conn. River National bank, note No. 36 and interest	816.00
1917			
Jan.	6	Jessie Buss, interest on bond No. 5	10.00
		R. H. Buss, interest on bonds No. 9, 14, 20, 25, 30	10.00
		G. W. Buss, interest on bonds No. 4, 34, 33, 23, 18, 8, 13, 28	40.00
		Flora E. Buss, interest on bonds No. 12, 17, 27, 7, 22, 3	20.00
		S. A. Nye, interest on bonds No. 19, 24, and 29	6.00
		Conn. River National bank, note No. 33 and interest	302.25
		Conn. River National bank, note No. 29 and interest	1,005.25
		H. G. Perham, interest on bonds No. 6, 11, 16, 21, 26	10.00
		G. S. Neal for bond No. 2	500.00
		G. S. Neal, six months interest on bonds No. 2, 37, 38, 39, 40	18.00



Jan.	6	Susie F. Chamberlain, six months interest on bonds No. 10, 15, 36, 55	\$ 16.00
Feb.	16	G. R. Cummings, interest on bonds No. 31 and 32	20.00
		Emma L. Perry, interest on note No. 31	28.00
	17	G. S. Neal, interest on notes No. 32 and 38	15.00
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			\$8,695.69

### Orders Drawn for South Side Road Construction

1916

May	18	F. G. Huntley, work and material on South Side road	170.71
	25	F.G. Huntley, work on South Side road	65.95
June	3	F.O. Cross, work and material on South Side road	186.29
		F. G. Huntley, work on the South Side Road	73.20
	12	F.G. Huntley, South Side road construction	17.23
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			\$ 513.38

### Orders Drawn for Patrol Work, Charlestown Road

1916

April	22	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	32.64
	29	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	8.12
June	3	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	20.10
		C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	76.28
July	1	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	61.75
Aug.	5	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	86.75
Sept.	2	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	30.50
Oct.	7	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	109.65

Nov.	4	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	\$ 58.50
Dec.	2	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	13.40
1917			
Jan.	6	C. H. Dodge, town road patrol	10.25
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			\$ 507.94

### Orders Drawn for State Aid Maintenance, Charles- town Road

1916			
April	22	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	\$ 9.14
	29	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	6.69
July	1	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	15.00
Aug.	5	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	16.25
Oct.	7	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	24.30
Nov.	4	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	16.25
Dec.	2	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	5.85
1917			
Jan.	6	C. H. Dodge, State road maintenance	3.35
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			\$ 96.83

### Orders Drawn for River Road Patrol

1916			
April	22	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	\$ 4.55
June	3	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	41.00
July	1	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	20.30
Aug.	5	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	62.40
Sept.	2	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	57.24
Oct.	7	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	56.64
Nov.	4	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	47.75
Dec.	2	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	19.50
1917			
Jan.	6	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	11.16

Feb.	3	A. E. Meader, town road patrol	\$ 1.94
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			\$ 322.48

### Orders Drawn for Trunk Line Maintenance, Honey Brook Road

1916

April	22	A. E. Meader, patrol work, South Side road	\$ 18.45
June	3	A. E. Meader, patrol work, South Side road	31.80
July	1	A. E. Meader, patrol work, South Side road	18.90
Aug.	5	A. E. Meader, patrol work, South Side road	65.58
Sept.	2	A. E. Meader, patrol work South Side road	18.65
Oct.	7	A. E. Meader, patrol work South Side road	50.67
Nov.	4	A. E. Meader, patrol work South Side road	26.00
Dec.	2	A. E. Meader, patrol work South Side road	23.50

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Jan.	6	A. E. Meader, patrol work South Side road	4.40
Feb.	3	A. E. Meader, patrol work South Side road	1.56
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			\$ 259.51

### Orders Drawn for Trunk Line Maintenance

1916

June	12	Fred G. Huntley, Trunk Line maintenance	\$ 104.95
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July	1	Herbert D. Fogg, Trunk Line maintenance	\$ 31.20
Aug.	15	Frank O. Cross, State Aid Highway maintenance	16.45
	15	Frank O. Cross, Trunk Line maintenance	49.85
Oct.	7	Herbert D. Fogg, Trunk Line maintenance	37.70
	7	Frank O. Cross, Trunk Line maintenance	16.40
Dec.	2	Herbert D. Fogg, Trunk Line maintenance	11 21
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Jan.	6	Herbert D. Fogg, Trunk Line maintenance	11.21
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			\$ 278.97

### Orders Drawn for Trunk Line Maintenance, South Side Road

1916			
April	3	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	\$ 40.10
May	6	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	99.63
June	3	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	83.97
July	1	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	107.90
Aug.	5	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	35.34
		J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	106.63
Oct.	7	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	86.50
Nov.	4	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	90.50
		J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	103.94
1917			
Jan.	6	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	25.06
Feb.	16	J. T. Nichols, trunk line maintenance	21.81
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			\$ 801.38

## Receipts in the Treasury

1916

Feb.	16	Cash in the treasury by auditor's statement	\$ 87.69
		Marshall Priest license	5.00
	28	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	108.63
March	6	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	82.52
	13	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	8.25
	27	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	34.43
April	4	Rebecca W. Madison, gift	150.00
	7	Highway Dept. maintenance	20.51
	22	Trunk Line maintenance	22.59
		Conn. River National Bank note	300.00
	24	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	50.39
		H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	14.00
	25	Mary L. Bowers, Acworth Cemetery Trust Fund	300.00
	29	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	32.00
May	1	Highway Dept., Trunk Line maintenance	23.56
		Highway Dept., maintenance State aid	3.25
	11	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	239.58
	12	Conn. River National Bank, Note No. 34	2,000.00
	18	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	36.20
		H. L. Piper, tax collector 1916	89.00
	19	F. P. Claggett, M. D., rebate	10.00
		Highway Dept., State Aid roads	6.69
		Highway Dept., Trunk Line maintenance	42.82



May	20	May term County pauper bills	\$ 418.48
	23	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1916	26.05
		H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	38.00
June	3	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1916	90.83
		H. L. Piper, tax collector 1915	18.00
		Highway Dept., maintenance State Aid	6.78
		Highway Dept., Trunk Line maintenance	26.91
	16	Conn. River National Bank, note No. 35	500.00
	17	Highway Dept., Trunk Line maintenance	42.00
	30	Highway Dept., maintenance State Aid	26.39
		H. L. Piper, tax collector 1916	42.09
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1915	10.10
July	1	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	50.00
	3	Conn. River Nat'l bank on note No. 36	800.00
	5	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1915	25.57
	10	Conn. River Nat'l bank on note No. 37	500.00
		Guy S. Neal on note No. 38	150.00
	17	Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	38.30
		Highway Dept. maintenance state aid road	6.85
		Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	105.15
		Highway Dept. maintenance state aid roads	41.27
Aug.	4	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1915	46.00
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	336.27
	5	Highway Dept. trunk line construction	300.00
		Highway Dept. maintenance trunk line	22.52
		Highway Dept. state aid	1.50
	12	Registrations for primaries	6.00
	16	Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	104.95
	30	Highway Dept. trunk line construction	100.00
Sept.	2	Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	79.82
		Highway Dept. maintenance state aid	4.60

Sept.	2	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	\$ 281.66
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	77.00
	17	Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	61.88
Oct.	3	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	213.10
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1915	7.00
	7	Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	69.75
		Highway Dept. maintenance state aid	8.05
	10	Conn. River Nat'l bank on note No. 39	500.00
	20	Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	68.42
		Highway Dept. maintenance state aid	6.50
		Highway Dept. trunk line	2,100.00
	21	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1915	7.50
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	533.58
Nov.	3	Conn. River Nat'l bank on note No. 40	500.00
	4	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	246.71
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	25.00
		Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	55.00
		Highway Dept. state aid maintenance	18.35
	8	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	750.91
	17	November term from County pauper bills	47.84
		Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	81.09
		Highway Dept. maintenance state aid	9.75
	19	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	473.20
	25	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	339.85
	29	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	745.35
Dec.	2	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1915	30.00
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	1,012.45
		State Highway Dept. trunk line main- tenance	66.25
	5	Dog license money	107.00
	10	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1915 interest	16.87
		H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	1,250.50
	18	Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	34.01
		Highway Dept. state aid	9.20
		Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	14.51

Dec.	19	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	\$ 360.38
	30	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	264.56
		State insurance tax	1.50
		State Savings bank tax	173.44
		State proportion of school fund	253.66
		State literary fund	96.60
1917			
Jan.	1	Guy S. Neal on note	1,000.00
	7	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	38.92
	28	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	288.03
Feb.	3	H. L. Piper, tax collector, 1916	110.43
		Highway Dept. maintenance state aid road	16.25
	12	State Highway Dept., Trunk Line main- tenance	71.89
		State Highway Dept., State Aid	54.34
	16	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1916	157.03
		H. L. Piper, tax collector 1916	26.29
		Frank Barden, lot in cemetery	2.00
	17	H. L. Piper, tax collector 1916	53.00
Total receipts			<hr/> \$ 20,368.14

### Recapitulation

Paid	Silsby Free Public Library	\$ 100.00
	Special purposes	1,629.95
	School purposes	2,601.69
	Highways and bridges	1,895.55
	Breaking roads	424.19
	Support of paupers	853.90
	Bounty on hedgehogs and wild cats	16.80
	Miscellaneous purposes	806.10
	Town officers	429.15
	Abatement of taxes	26.29
	Notes and bonds	8,695.69

South Side road construction	\$	513.38
C. H. Dodge, patrol, Charlestown road		507.94
C. H. Dodge, State aid, Charlestown road		96.83
A. E. Meader, patrol, River road		322.48
A. E. Meader, patrol, South Side road		259.51
Trunk Line, maintenance by Huntley, Cross and Fogg		278.97
J. T. Nichols, Trunk Line, maintenance South Side road		801.38
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	\$	20,259.71
Cash in the treasury to balance		108.43
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	\$	20,368.14

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer and find them correct and supported by vouchers.

ALMON E. CLARK, Auditor.

## Town Clerk's Report

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Number of male dogs licensed for full year	44	\$ 88.00
Number of spayed dogs licensed for full year	8	16.00
Number of female dogs licensed for full year	3	15.00
Number of dogs licensed for part of year	1	1.00
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Total fees		\$120.00
Amount of fees taken by town clerk		11.20
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Balance		\$108.80
Amount paid town treasurer		107.00
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Due town treasurer		\$ 1.80

I hereby certify that I have examined the account of Guy S. Neal, Town Clerk, and believe it correct as stated.

ALMON E. CLARK, Town Auditor.



## Auditor's Statement

### ASSETS OF THE TOWN FEB. 15, 1917

Cash in the treasury	\$ 108.43
Due from H. L. Piper, tax collector for 1915	23.96
Due from H. L. Piper, tax collector for 1916	1,105.17
Due from State, bounty on hedgehogs and wildcats	16.80
Due from County, support of paupers	11.50
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Amount of assets	\$1,265.86

### Liabilities of the Town

FEB. 15, 1917

Town bonds (interest at 4 per cent.)	\$7,000.00
Town notes outstanding	2,150.00
Dog fund due school district	108.80
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	\$9,258.80
There should be in the town treasury money raised for permanent repairs of highway	\$ 528.00
Balance of money raised for guard rails	170.00
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	\$ 698.00

Respectfully submitted,

ALMON E. CLARK, Auditor.

## Acworth Trust Funds

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### Cemetery Funds

Elizabeth W. Ball fund	\$100.00
Julia A. Buswell fund	200.00
Mary L. Bowers fund	300.00

#### EXPENDITURES

To cash paid for labor on the Ball lot	\$ 4.05
To cash paid for labor on the Buswell and Reed lots	8.00
To cash paid for labor on the Bowers and Mitchell lots, (available \$8.00)	10.65

### Acworth Silsby Free Public Library Trust Fund

Gift of Rebecca W. Madison	\$150.00
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The above funds are deposited in the New Hampshire Savings Bank, Concord, N. H.

GUY S. NEAL, GEORGE A. EVANS, ALMON E. CLARK,	}	Trustees.
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## Silsby Free Public Library

### TRUSTEES

James Francis Eaton	Term expires 1917
Charles Woodbury	Term expires 1917
Edgar K. Morrison	Term expires 1919

At a meeting of the board of trustees held March 25, 1916, it was agreed that the South Acworth Branch library be supplied with books, as hitherto, provided the people there met all expense of transportation and librarian. This they have done throughout the year. This service has proved satisfactory. Mrs. Livingstone was reappointed Librarian.

On June 3 Mr. Mitchell, being about to remove from the state, resigned from the board. Dr. Charles Woodbury was appointed to fill the vacancy till the next election. Dr. Woodbury accepted the position, and has proved to be an interested and valuable member of the board of trustees.

At a meeting of the board held September 30, at the home of Mr. Morrison, it was decided to place \$5,000.00 of insurance on the property, \$3,000 00 on the building and \$2,000.00 on books and furnishings. It was represented to the trustees that our state laws hold library officials divided in duty who fail to keep the property insured. It had also been discovered that the furnace was defective and unsafe. This cuts the library appropriation short for the year, but it is hoped that the act will be approved by all public spirited citizens. The insurance is for

one year only. It cannot again be paid out of the \$100 00 appropriation for running expenses, and the trustees ask for a sufficient amount additional wherewith to renew the insurance upon its expiration in October.

Repairs have been made on the chimney, roof and furnace. These are now in good condition, but one corner of the building has been damaged by water and frost up beneath the roof, due to defective construction. The sooner it is repaired, the less will be the expense, and the better for the building. It will now require a considerable sum to repair it and make secure for the future. It is hoped that this work can be done upon the opening of spring.

The reports of the librarian and treasurer are herewith subjoined.

J. F. EATON, Secretary.

## Report of Librarian

To the Trustees of Silsby Free Public Library and Citizens of Acworth.

The interest shown in our Library since the last report has been good.

The Trustees purchased ten volumes of Harper's Encyclopedia of United States History, and sixteen books which arrived just one week too late to report last year.

This year they have repaired the furnace, which is a great comfort to us each Saturday; also the roof, and placed insurance on the building and contents. This, of course, reduced their finances, but the good it has done already is appreciated. Of course, this made our magazine list considerably less, but it was the right thing to do. Friends have contributed well, so we will not suffer for reading. The list is as follows:

Subscribed for by Trustees: Monthly—Atlantic, Harper's,

McClure's, Popular Mechanics, St. Nicholas: weekly—Outlook, Scientific American, Youth's Companion.

Given by friends and Book club: Monthly—Ainslee's, Bird Love, Boys' Life, Cosmopolitan, Designer, Garden Magazine, Good Housekeeping, Home Needlework, Housewife, Ladies Home Journal, Ladies' World, McCall's, Mothers' Magazine, Munsey, National Geographic, Our Dumb Animals, Pictorial Review, Review of Reviews, ToDay's, Woman's Home Companion, Woman's Magazine, World's Work, Woman's World, Home Life; weekly—Country Gentleman, Christian Herald, Current Events, Outlook, Literary Digest, Rural New Yorker, Saturday Evening Post

The Book club have purchased 26 books, 25 have been donated by friends, which with those purchased by the trustees, make 77 added this year.

Of the 3,156 books now on Accession Book some are worn out and many need rebinding.

The circulation of books and magazines this year has been 1,168 books and 1,815 magazines, total 2,983.

During the year 52 cards have been in use, 12 of these being summer guests. We have had 73 registered visitors.

Miss Nellie L. Woodbury has presented the original Bell Subscriptions of Nov. 28 in 1827, in a neat frame, which is well worth looking at.

The South Acworth branch is well managed. During Mrs. Foster's absence G. A. Evans very kindly cared for the books.

Our thanks are due the trustees, Mrs. Foster, Mr. Evans, the Book club, and all who have given books and magazines and helped in many ways.

Respectfully submitted,

ANGIE H. LIVINGSTONE, Librarian.



## REPORT OF SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

To the Trustees of the Silsby Free Public Library and Citizens of Acworth.

The interest of this branch has increased during the past year. There are 40 names on the cards, most of which represent families that have use of the books and magazines. Six hundred books and 470 magazines and papers, a total of 1,070, have been circulated during the year ending Feb. 15, 1917.

Thanks are due the trustees for granting us the privilege of having the library here the past year, also to Mr. G. A. Evans for soliciting and obtaining funds from the patrons to pay transportation charges, and acting as librarian during December and January, when the regular librarian was obliged to be away, moving the books and periodicals to his store and giving out 100 books and magazines during that time.

Thanking all who have assisted in any way, we hope and trust the library will be continued in South Acworth. This report is respectfully submitted.

T. M. FOSTER, Librarian.

## Treasurer's Report

## RECEIPTS

1916			
Feb.	1	Balance on hand	\$ 78.77
June	5	Received from Leavitt Haywood	3.00
Oct.	9	Received from town	100.00
Total receipts			<hr/> \$181.77

## EXPENDITURES

1916			
Jan.	10	Guy S. Neal, janitor 36 weeks	\$ 9.00

Feb.	5	Harper & Brothers, books	\$ 30.00
		Angie H. Livingstone, librarian 9 weeks	6.75
	21	Gaylord Brothers, book labels	1.50
	28	George Webster, transporting books to South Acworth	2.20
Mar.	18	H. A. Chapin, 3 cords wood	6.00
	25	Granite State Monthly	2.00
		J. H. Goewey, sawing 3 cords wood	1.50
May	1	Angie H. Livingstone, librarian 12 weeks	9.00
July	24	Angie H. Livingstone, librarian 12 weeks	9.00
Oct.	2	Angie H. Livingstone, librarian 10 weeks	7.50
Nov.	20	C. L. Gould, repairs	15.00
Dec.	18	Angie H. Livingstone, librarian 11 weeks	8.25
1917			
Jan.	8	Clara L. Foster, magazines	20.25
	27	Guy S. Neal, janitor 18 weeks	4.50
		Geo. H. Stoughton, insurance	42.50
	29	A. J. Davis, hauling 3 cords wood	4.00
Feb.	11	Angie H. Livingstone, librarian 9 weeks	6.75
Total expenditures			<u>\$185.70</u>

## RECAPITULATION

Receipts	\$181.77	
Expenditures	185.70	
Deficit Feb. 15, 1917	————	\$ 3.93

J. F. EATON, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Trustees of the Silsby Free Public Library, and find them correct and supported by vouchers.

ALMON E. CLARK, Town Auditor.

# VITAL STATISTICS

In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed June Session, 1887, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," we submit the following:

## BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1916

Date, 1916	Name of child (If any)	Sex and Condition			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Parents' color	Occupation of Father	Birthplace and age of Father	Birthplace and age of Mother
		Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	Number of Child						
Feb.	20 Irving George Millay	M		1	George I. Millay	Lillian Watkins	White	Farmer	Black, Mass.	21 Pine Foot, W. V.
	21 Carl Leslie Chisamore	M		1	Glenn Chisamore	Gwendoline Fisk		Machinist	Black River, N. Y.	22 Acworth
Mar.	7 John Link	M		1	John Link	Rose Cupah		Farmer	Hungary	28 Hungary
	27 Arthur Wm. Campbell	M		1	Arthur W. Campbell	Grace E. Edward		Laborer	22 Morris, N. Y.	20
June	14 Agnes Lena Mitchell	F		1	Horace C. Mitchell	Lena St. John		Farmer	42 Unity	20
	20 Margaret H. Meshnisky	F		1	Louis Meshnisky	Marguerite Pettite			28 England	26
July	14 Helen Jeanie Gould	F		1	Carl L. Gould	Jeanie E. Sargent		Merchant	36 So. Boston, Mass.	23
Aug.	4 Elmer Velma Brier	F		1	Paul Brier	Elizabeth Osupah		Farmer	28 Hungary	24
Sept.	17 Ralph R. Chadbourne	M		1	Harry E. Chadbourne	Thurza M. Welch		School teacher	22 Hempster	31
Oct.	2 Georgiana Smith	F		1	Walter G. Smith	Jessamine Ball		Farmer	38 Grafton, Vt.	34
	23 Harry Albert Neal	M		5	Solon L. Neal	Bertha F. Perham		Farmer	38 Acworth	34

# MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1916

Date Edg.	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at Time of Marriage	Age Years	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Groom and Bride	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	No. Mar. Place	Name, Residence and Official Station of Per- son by whom married
Apr. 12	B. Falls, Vt.	Harold Leslie Lund	South Acworth	20	White	Farmer	Norwich, Vt.	Byron Lund Mina Williams	East Haven, Vt.	1	Rev. A. S. Pratt Clergyman Bellows Falls, Vt.
		Mary Goewey	Acworth	20		Housework	Acworth	Joseph Goewey	Lyndon Vt.	1	
July	s Claremont	Henry E. Neal	Acworth	24	White	Laborer	Acworth	Clarence H. Neal Myrtle F. Reed	Acworth Acworth	1	Rev. R. T. Wolcott Clergyman Claremont, N. H.
		Vera Parmenter	Newport	18			Brattleboro, Vt.	Frank M. Parmenter Flora M. Patterway	Milton Falls Duncan, Okla.	1	
Aug. 9	Acworth	Marion T. Goble	Portsmouth	24		U. S. Marine	Lincoln, Neb.	Marion E. Goble Martha Davis	Lincoln, Neb.	1	Rev. Fritz W. Baldwin Clergyman Acworth, N. H.
		Lavinia A. Pettie	Acworth	22		Housekeeper	Dorsetshire, Eng.	Charles Pettie Ellen H. Allison	Lyon, France London, Eng	1	

# DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1916

Date 1916	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex and Condition		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Name of Mother
				Male	Female		Father	Mother		
Jan. 11	Chester M. Johnson	75	Canada	M		Farmer	Canada	Canada	Ira Johnson	Sally Coffin
21	Louisa G. Woodbury	99	Acworth	M	F	Housewife	Langdon	Rutland, Mass.	Joseph Currier	Sally Davis
Feb. 4	Helen M. Williams	2	Acworth		F		Andover, Vt.	Athens, Vt.	Arthur Williams	Jessie Torrey
18	Freeman H. Campbell	85	Acworth	M	M		Acworth	Acworth	Horace Campbell	Sally Grout
Mar. 6	Kemp	12	Keene	M			Acworth	Manchester	Carl Kemp	Ola Plummer
10	Emma R. Smith	56	Stoddard	F	F	Housework	Marlow	Hancock	Samuel A. Smith	Lucy Towne
13	Maria P. Smith	82	11	F		Housekeeper			Calvin Phelps	Sally Fox
May 6	Lemmi Hantaniemie	2	Tuea, Finland	M	F	Laborer	Swansea	Acworth	Alvah Cummings	Polly A. Groat
June 12	Sally Ann Young	78	Acworth	M	F	Housekeeper	Marlboro, Mass.	Finland	Joseph Gleason	Persis Gay
30	Lucinda B. Gleason	82	Acworth	M	F	Seamstress	Finland	Ireland	Isal Nestor Sautti	Sofia Suker
Aug. 5	Jack Sautti	31	Finland	M	M	Farmer	Ireland	New York	James Mulligan	Maria Carney
16	James F. Mulligan	44	Uxbridge, Mass.	M	M	Farmer	Brookline, Vt	Jamaica, Vt.	Joshua Newill	Cynthia Lund
Oct. 24	John Newill	68	Mc. Pleasant, Pa.	M	F	Farmer	Canada	Canada	Gilbert W. Boutwell	Rose Elora Chase
Dec. 8	Martie L. Boutwell	2	Putney, Vt.		F				George Chapman	Sarah Chapman
19	Benjamin P. Chapman	49	Canada	M	M	Farmer				

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns of Births, Marriages and Deaths are correct, according to my best knowledge and belief.

GUY S. NEAL, TOWN CLERK









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